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CORE PREDISPOSED TO A

CONVEX UPWARD CONFIGURATION

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The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

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Dear Sir:

Please cancel Claim 19 and amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

Page 12, line 26, delete "and."

In the Claims:

- 10. (Amended) A sanitary napkin according to Claim 6 wherein said core further comprises [third and fourth] additional lines of weakness on the opposite sides of said longitudinal centerline [and], said additional lines of weakness being laterally concave away from said longitudinal centerline.
- 11. (Amended) A sanitary napkin according to Claim 10 wherein [said lines of weakness are] each said line of weakness is symmetric about said lateral and said longitudinal centerlines.
- 15. (Amended) A sanitary napkin according to Claim 14 wherein said backsheet has an inwardly oriented surface oriented towards said core, and an outwardly oriented surface opposed thereto, [and which contacts the garment of the wearer], said sanitary napkin further comprising strips of adhesive disposed on said outwardly oriented surface of said backsheet [for attachment of the sanitary napkin to the undergarment of the wearer], said strips of adhesive radiating outwardly from the longitudinal centerline, towards an end of the sanitary napkin.
- 17. (Twice Amended) A sanitary napkin according to Claim [17] 16 further comprising a second discontinuous line of weakness concave towards said first line of weakness and concave towards said lateral centerline, wherein said second line of weakness is formed by discrete sites.

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